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like electronics maintenance of the [REDACTED] the air transport capability of the detachment should in his view govern where it was set down. He added that he envisioned the bulk of our requirements for an air capability to respond to international disturbances would center around our ability to pick up and deliver men and materiel, and that it made the best kind of sense to him to have the transport aircraft near the depot where the things to be carried would be located. In this context, General Cabell said that he felt Kelly Air Force Base (and Depot) would be an ideal location. He then said, when told that our next move looked like a survey trip to [REDACTED] that he would insist that any such survey be accompanied by a like survey of Kelly, unless the Air Force could give him "about a hundred good Air Force reasons why Kelly should be eliminated from consideration." I told him that I would see that his views were reflected to those who would be planning the survey, both in our Headquarters and in Air Force Headquarters. I told General Cabell that I felt cover would be less of a problem [REDACTED] than anywhere in Texas, but he did not agree.

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